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Grade Nine Teaching Comes Under View at School Meeting

Partial reorganization of the trustee board, said that high academic standing might be sacrificed and replaced by a greater variety of general subjects which would be more useful to the average pupil attending this school. The great majority of them on graduation, he said, had more need of these subjects since they immediately entered the business world and only very occasionally did one make use of his Senior Matriculation by entering a university. In fact, Mr. McMillan stated further to the question, the only reason a commercial course had not been included last year was that the funds of the board did not permit the purchasing of typewriters.

In his remarks upholding the taking over of part of the Grade Nine teaching by Mr. Gish and Mr. Adams, Mr. McMillan said, "It aggravates the discipline of a room if the teacher is overworked."

Trustee T. M. Mair voiced his approval of the proposal by saying that Grade Nine should be well organized because "a strong Grade Nine later encourages strong senior grades." Mr. Mair asked, as an alternative move, whether it would be justifiable to split the room into two classes. Mr. McMillan argued this point well by again bringing to light the fact that the pupils in the upper grades have a number of study periods in which they could further themselves if they were inclined and thereby not suffer by shortened lecture periods.

Mr. Gish pointed out that by doing this it would be necessary to reorganize the programs of the senior grades by cutting the lecture periods from 35 minutes each to 28 minutes. However, it was pointed out, that this might be easily done since there are no pupils enrolled this term in the upper grades who are taking their full credits.

Mr. Gish remarked as the matter stood to date, it was a terrific strain on the Grade Nine teacher and by the time school was dismissed in the afternoon, she had completed an extremely hard day's work and was exhausted. But, he also said, the taking over of part of these duties by himself and Mr. Adams might greatly reduce the academic standing of the senior pupils since their lecture periods would necessarily be reduced in length.

C. H. McMillan, member of

BOWDEN SUFFERS LOSS TO CROSSFIELD, 5 TO 1

Crossfield added another win to its belt on Friday night when they took Bowden into camp, 5 to 1. Scoring was done by Cameron Carmichael, 2; Don Stevens, 2; and Jim Stevens, 1.

Want Ads

LOST OR PICKED UP on February 3 in or around Crossfield, black spaniel dog with white breast and short tail. Ansers to "Bud." Notify the Rectory, Crossfield, if you have any information concerning the whereabouts of this dog.

FOR SALE—1 purebred Yorkshire pup, coming 2 years old. Large, racy, bacon type. Price \$25. H. Mitchell, Crossfield 709.

RUBBER STAMPS—There are hundreds of uses for these low-cost rubber stamps. Ask about price. The Chronicle, Crossfield.

FOR SALE—Registered Angora Rabbits. Wool now selling \$5 lb. sheared and \$6 lb. pulsed. Apply Chronicle Office, Crossfield.

FILING CABINET FOR SALE—Steel, in new condition; four drawers size 8½ by 11 inches, on small wheels. Apply The Chronicle.

FOR SALE—Rubber Stamp Pads in three colors. The Chronicle, Crossfield.

COMMUNITY SALE AT DOG POUND TO BE GALA AFFAIR

The Dog Pound branch of the Red Cross is sponsoring a community sale on Feb. 17, Tuesday, at 1 p.m. The sale will be held at the Dog Pound hall and ladies of the Red Cross will serve lunch. Livestock, poultry, farm machinery, household goods and other miscellaneous items have already been donated and it is announced that E. R. Harper will accept any other articles which citizens would like to donate. Archie Boyce has offered his services as auctioneer for the day at no cost.

CUSHION BRINGS \$4.45 TO AID RED CROSS FUNDS

A cushion, made and donated by Mrs. J. Valasek, was raffled and realized the sum of \$4.45 for the Crossfield branch of the Red Cross Society. The draw for the lovely cushion was made on Saturday evening at the Banff-Crossfield hockey game and was won by Mrs. G. Butler with ticket number 12. Little Mickey Huston drew the lucky ticket.

The executive of the Red Cross extends thanks to Mrs. Valasek for her donation and to all those who helped in any way.

MISSION BAND ELECTS OFFICERS

At the regular meeting of the Daisy Mission Band, held in the Crossfield United Church parlor on February 3, the following slate of officers was elected for the first half of the year:

President, Ruth McCool; vice-president, Lawrence Lilley; secretary, Beryl Thompson; treasurer, Louis Emerson; reporter, Barry Jones.

Money raised by the band in 1941 totalled \$26.69. Expenses were as follows: General, 12.91; United Church Aid, \$2; supplies for Mission aBnd, \$4.45; sent to Presbyteral treasurer for Missions, \$7.33; total, \$26.69.

—Barry Jones

Blind 65 Years Mrs. E. Day Dead

A busy knitter for the war effort, although she had been blind for many years, Mrs. Ellen Lucinda Day died Monday evening at the home of her son-in-law, George F. Day, west of Water Valley, Alta., after a long illness. She was 81, and known throughout the district as "Grandma" Day.

Mrs. Day was born in Summerhill, Cayuga County, N.Y., and moved to Empie, Minn., where she lived before coming to Canada in 1906. She settled in Madden first and lived there until 1935 when she moved to Water Valley. Her wife, Mrs. H. W. Day, of Water Valley, two daughters, Mrs. S. C. Anderson, Balzac and Mrs. George F. Day, Water Valley. Her husband, W. G. Day, predeceased her in 1932.

The financial statement of the School District as given by Secretary T. Tredaway, appears in this issue.

Questions by D. J. Hall on the sanitary and drinking water conditions at the school held the attention of the meeting for some time. It was decided to look into the cost of installing a more efficient sanitary system in the main school building.

Mr. Hall made a motion giving

Else Mossop is quarantined at her home with scarlet fever.

ing credit to the school board and teaching staff for a year of good work. Mr. McMillan spoke for the board when he voiced pleasure at the ratepayers' constructive criticism at the meeting.

Cremona Man Fatally Injured In Sawmill

Reported to have been struck on the forehead by a knot of wood which flew out of a piece of timber while working at a sawmill, Robert McBain, 24, of Cremona died in a Calgary hospital at 7:25 p.m. Tuesday, several hours after the accident.

Knocked unconscious when the knot struck him above the left eye, McBain was rushed part way to the city car and Star's ambulance went on to meet the machine on the Cochrane road.

Transferred to the ambulance about 2 p.m., he was given first aid and sent to a city hospital. He never regained consciousness. McBain suffered severe concussion.

HELP ORGANIZE TRADE BOARD AT CARSTAIRS

Three members of the Crossfield & District Board of Trade, President T. Mair, Vice-president H. B. Moon and Secretary-Treasurer T. Tredaway, attended a meeting in Carstairs last week to help in the organization of a sister body in that village. They told of the work done in the interests of the Crossfield district and gave suggestions to the Carstairs group.

VICTORY LOAN COMMITTEE ALL SET TO START IT GOING

Committee of the Crossfield Unit of the Victory Loan Drive, which will start next Monday, consists of: Frank Laut, M.L.A., organizer; G. A. C. Dougan, chairman; Roland Amerly, Alex Gordon, J. H. Scott, Airdrie; Clem Perry, Balzac; Jim Watt, Dog Pound; Jim Eddy, Carstairs and George eChurch. J. W. Hallton is secretary.

The committee met on Saturday to formulate plans for the local canvass and expect to be in full organization before the books of the drive are opened on Monday. To the time of going to press, the local objective was not announced, but it will be made public before the next issue.

EIGHTEEN RINKS IN CROSSFIELD BONSPeL

Eighteen rinks, ten local and eight from outside points, are entered in the annual Crossfield bonspiel which got under way on Tuesday. Local rinks are being skipped by C. Purvis, D. W. Carmichael, C. Fox, C. Becker, G. Purvis, D. Ontkes, C. H. McMillan, H. R. Ballam, A. E. Edlund and W. J. Wood; out-of-town rinks are: Carstairs, Mills, Lieseman, Edmundson and Retcliffe; Didsbury, Klien, Topley and Fisher; Olds, MacLeod.

Two main events are for the Calgary Power prize and the Deliveries Ltd. offering. Eaton's prize will be for consolation. Besides these prizes there is a good number of miscellaneous prizes.

Full results of the 'spile will appear next week.

VICTORY LOAN SUNDAY

It is announced that Sunday, February 22 will be observed as Victory Loan Sunday. It is expected that support will be given to the war fund drive chiefly by references to the loan and appeals for its support.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Purvis returned on Saturday from a vacation spent in Eastern Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Hepworth of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Willis.

H. C. Sweet and F. Wilson, inspectors of high schools and public schools respectively, visited Crossfield on Friday to inspect the schools here.

T. Mair, W. Stralo and R. Hendry were among those who entered the Old Curlers' 'spile at Calgary on Friday.

Two ladies curling rinks went to Calgary on Saturday.

J. Beishaw, W. Stralo, E. Fox and Rev. H. V. Ellison attended the United Church Presbytery meeting in Didsbury on Wednesday. Several ladies also went to attend the Presbytery session. F. Purvis also attended the Presbytery meeting.

Mrs. Bill Walker has been spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Weiss, at Medicine Hat. Mr. and Mrs. Weiss celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this week.

Miss Irene Hesketh, Canadian Women's Auxiliary Army, was home for the weekend. This was the first time Irene was able to be home for several weeks since the class she is in training with was quarantined for mumps and measles.

Miss Marie Becker of Calgary spent last Wednesday in Crossfield visiting relatives. She was accompanied by Mrs. Wm. Goddard.

Miss Jean Reid, teacher at the Sunshine school, has been ill for two weeks. Her sister, Mrs. L. Clayton of Airdrie, has been substituting in Miss Reid's absence.

Miss Fanny Gough and Miss Ada Faia spent the weekend in Calgary.

Miss D. Hawley of the home was a house-guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Jones at the weekend.

According to a radio report Thursday afternoon Sgt. Observer John Carmichael of Crossfield has made eight flights over enemy territory. John is with the R.C.A.F. in Eng-

Church Announcements

CROSSFIELD AND DISTRICT UNITED CHURCH

Rev. H. V. Ellison,

Sunday, February 15

Madden: Sunday School and Service at 1:30 p.m.

Dog Pound: Sunday School and Service, 3 p.m.

Crossfield—Sunday School, 11 a.m. Church Service, 7:30 p.m.

These will be the minister's farewell sermons.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Anglican)
Rev. A. D. Currie, Rector
Sunday, February 15
Evensong, 7:30 p.m.

REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor: Rev. D. G. Milligan.

Morning Service, 11:30 a.m.

Sunday School, 12 noon

Beaver Dam School—3 p.m.

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JR. RED CROSS HOLDS PARTY AT SUNSHINE

Crossfield Alberta

Ivan Hamby, Owner-Editor

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CANADIAN CHURCHES ARE PRACTICAL

Ever since man first found God, the godly have been beset by the ungodly. The church has always been considered a natural enemy by those individuals and those nations which have sought power and wealth by the cruel exploitation of their neighbors and other nations.

February 22 is therefore well conceived. In connecting the cold hard business of raising money for the war effort with the warm, soul-stirring truth that this is a war to free millions of oppressed people, Victory Loan Sunday becomes a red letter day on the Calendar for 1942.

God-fearing Canadians will fill the churches on that day.

Honor the Brave! Buy Victory Bonds!

Backward, turn backward, O, time in thy flight.
Give me that lost hour o' sleep tonight.

Get into the Fight! Buy Victory Bonds! Floral will aid the Red Cross.

TO RATEPAYERS OF CROSSFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT, NO. 752—

I thank you sincerely for the honor you have accorded me by unanimously re-electing me to work for your best interests on our School Board. As I have done in the past, I will endeavor to do in the future; that is, to give my best so that your confidence in me will be justified.

FRED T. BAKER

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Dog Pound

Members of the Junior Red Cross at Sunshine school held a party on Friday afternoon and entertained parents and friends at tea and a short program. The pupils were hosts for the afternoon and did everything, including furnishing and serving the meal. A small collection taken brought \$6 for the group.

This group of youngsters has been active over four years and has a membership of fifteen pupils. Walter Landymore is the president and Florence Landymore, secretary.

FLORAL SCHOOL CARD PARTY

Mrs. C. Ferguson and Mr. D. Wylie were first prize winners at a card party held in Floral school on Wednesday last week. Mrs. Lee Ableman and Ron Sackett won second prizes. There were 17 tables of "500" in play and proceeds go to the fund which provides the annual picnic for the school.

These parties are being held alternate weeks at Tan-y-Bryn and Floral. Last night's (Wednesday) proceeds at Tan-y-Bryn and the one next Wednesday at

Dog Pound brought in daylight saving time with a bang. Nearly all the able-bodied men in district turned out to load scrap iron for salvage. Approximately 33 tons were gathered. Proceeds from the sale of this metal will be turned over to the Red Cross.

The Red Devils came out on the short end of the hockey game again on Sunday. The boys say they are going to start practising twice a week now.

The Red Devils will play Cremona on Sunday, Feb. 15, at Sullivan's Slough.

CROSSFIELD TAKES CARSTAIRS, 2-1

In a hot game on Tuesday at Crossfield, the home pucksters defeated Carstairs by a 1-goal margin when the game ended with a 2-1 score. Carmichael got first and only tally in the open period, assisted by Hopper. There was no scoring in second period but Donald Stevens finished the scoring in the third. Sprag got Carstairs' lone counter while Hemerage and Weber were handed penalties.

Nature Is Inspiration For Missives of Affection Today

This Valentine business started out sublime but now it is a gag.

Away back in the days of the Romans, observations were made that the birds began to mate on about February 14. To them, manifestations of nature were omens from the gods. So they held the fear of Lupercalia, dedicated to Pan and June.

During the festival, Roman maidens placed their names in a box from which they were drawn by the unattached men about town. These billets in the lottery of love were said to be the first valentines.

ONE OF THREE

Christian leaders liked the idea but decided to name the occasion after St. Valentine. And the saint, according to story, was not one person, but three. Each was a martyr: who was killed in 270 A.D. during the religious persecutions of Claudius second.

One was said to be a Roman priest, the second was Bishop of Terni in Italy, and the third a lance-bearer who was condemned to die on the Appian Way.

The third was the most romantic, for while awaiting execution he fell in love with the blind daughter of his jailer, to whom he sent a fare-well message signed, "From Your Valentine," at the tragic moment of his execution.

The earliest existing valentine is said to be one made in 1415 by Charles, Duke of Orleans, when he was locked up in the Tower of London after the Battle of Agincourt.

WERE PROPOSALS

The early valentines, up to the early 1800's, were generally serious proposals. The first bore a pattern called "the endless knot of love," a maze containing a message woven between bright-colored birds, hearts and flowers and worked by hand.

However, love's fashion changes, so in the late 1800's the industry began turning out valentines of chrome lithographs, edged with fringe, came in. In the '80's there came the mechanical valentine, opening to establish a three-dimensional scene.

By the '90's valentines used imitation lace paper, and very badly made paste-on patterns, on pulp paper and postal cards. And then followed "the offensive comic" which has gained popularity up until the present time.

Bonds are Bulletins!
Fight by lending. Buy Victory Bonds!

Financial Statement**Crossfield School District No. 752**

For Year Ending December 31, 1941

RECEIPTS PAYMENTS

Total Balance on hand, at January 1st	\$ 5,884.70	Teachers' Salaries	\$ 6,352.73
Taxes Collected	5,432.05	N. D. Tax	230.80
Current Year	1,943.81	A. T. A. Fees	37.00
Government Grant received by Treasurer	578.49	Pension Fund	186.52
Tuition Fees	762.00	Official Salaries (Secretary, Auditor, etc.)	360.50
Sundry	13.50	Paid on Debenture	609.67
		Paying school house, stable, outhouses, etc.	70.34
		Purchasing and improving school grounds, fence, well, etc.	16.40
		Furniture (desks, etc.)	30.00
		School Library and Reference Books	45.60
		Apparatus and Equipment, maps, charts, tablets, etc.	594.43
		Supplies, Stationery, Postage, chalk, brushes, etc.	265.43
		Carry-over	600.00
		Fuel, Water, Light	513.85
		Conveyance (pupils)	54.84
		Sanitation	115.50
		Insurance	34.00
		Delegates	30.00
		Advertising	19.75
		Alta. Govt Telephone	26.65
		Postage	4.00
		Hockey Club	12.03
		Ntnl Defence Tax	230.00
		Sundry	112.46
		TOTAL Cash Payments	\$ 9,566.67
		Cash Book Balance as at December 31, 1941	5,047.88
Total Cash Receipts	\$ 14,614.35	TOTAL	\$ 14,614.35

CASH BOOK BALANCE

Cheques on Hand	\$ 242.40
Total Bank Balance	4,807.73
TOTAL BALANCE	\$ 5,050.13
Outstanding Cheques	245
NET BALANCE	\$ 5,047.88

OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS

Amounts Due to the District on December 31, 1941	Amounts owed by the District on December 31, 1941
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Taxes Outstanding in District Collecting Their Own School Taxes	
Arrears	\$ 6,530.81
Tuition Fees	500.00
Cash on hand and total Bank Balance (including Outstanding Cheques)	5,050.13
TOTAL	\$ 5,580.13
	Total Amount due and Unpaid NIL

ASSETS

Estimated Value of property Owned by the District:	Total of Debenture not Yet Due:
Land, Buildings	Principal Only \$ 3,400.00
Furniture, Equipment, Maps, Supplies, etc.	Interest on Principal to December 31 100.00
Library, Reference Bks.	450.00
Total Taxes Due District (as above)	6,530.81
Other Amounts Due District (as above)	5,550.13
TOTAL	\$ 35,530.94
	TOTAL
	\$ 3,502.45

PARTICULARS OF ASSESSMENT, TAXATION, ETC., FOR 1941

Total Assessed Value	\$ 523,048.00
Rate of Taxation	Mills Total Number of Ratepayers
Rural	14 75
Urban	14

Exact Cost of Operation of the School for the Year \$ 9,566.67

INSURANCE

The property of the District is insured as follows:
Building \$15,600.00 Furniture & Equipment \$2,250.00

Public Liability

\$5/10,000

I hereby certify that the above information is in accordance with the books and records of Crossfield School District No. 752, of the Province of Alberta, and from the information given me I believe the same to be correct. I further certify that I have made a copy of this Report for the School Board of Crossfield, Alberta, the 7th day of February, 1942.

A. M. CUMMING, Official Auditor

Hitler Backs Feathers

BY ROBERT BUNNELL

LONDON, Feb. 10.—An international cartel of French and German industrialists was recently reported to have started organizing a new campaign for a negotiated peace between Germany and the United Nations on business grounds.

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NOVEL AD

The grocery advertisement of Moon's Groceria in last week's issue of The Chronicle, drew much comment for its novelty. First letter of each item listed contributed to make up two slogans, "Save for Victory" and "Buy More for Less".

WE SPECIALIZE IN-John Hurt Farm
implements
Elephant Brand
Fertilizer

W. A. HURT

RED CROSS BENEFIT GAME SATURDAY CROSSFIELD LOSES

In a Red Cross benefit game on Saturday evening at Crossfield, Banff juveniles defeated the local high school hockey outfit 4-2. Lester Hopper got the first score for Crossfield, assisted by Norman Patmore in the first period. The second counter for the locals came off Jimmie Stevens' stick in the 3rd. Banff tallies were made in the second and final period.



The Spirit of The Pioneer Mother Flames Anew Today

THINK BACK to the old days—when Canada was young.

Think of the high courage, the indomitable will of those pioneer women. Within the stockade or in the open field, they toiled—yes, fought—by the side of their men for the safeguarding of everything they held dear.

In the hearts of the women of Canada, this old spirit flames anew today! Gone are the heavy muskets, the log barricades—but the love of freedom, the stubborn resolve to win through at all costs—these things remain unchanged, unchangeable!

Grimly quenching their tears, mothers say "God bless you" to their fighting sons—everywhere young women are serving where duty calls—the women of Canada are bound together in one common cause.

In thousands of Canadian homes, women are revising their family budgets, planning new economies, making extra sacrifices—so that more and more money will be available for the purchase of Victory Bonds.

They know—that these women of Canada—that every dollar loaned now means more tanks—more guns—more planes—more ships—more of everything which is needed to smash Hitlerism and bring Peace to all the family hearths of the world.

Come on Canada!
VICTORY BONDS

*Get Ready
to Buy
the New*

National War Finance Committee, Ottawa, Canada

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